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Discussion with Mr. W. R. Lampshire,
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1. Mr. Lampshire visited me to discuss various matters relating to the NIS on which the Planning and Coordination Staff has been working. He handed me three documents for examination and my views respecting Special Forces requirements. These papers were:

- a) Draft/Special Forces Plans Branch, OC/PayWar, 22 October 1954 entitled "Resistance Potential Factors for Research and Planning"
- b) Memorandum from [redacted] Chief, Geographic Research to Mr. W. R. Lampshire, dated 20 May 1955, subject: "Review and Appraisal of the OC/PayWar, Special Forces Plans Branch Draft Paper on (above document)."
- c) Memorandum from Mr. Clinton to Mr. Evans, OIR, State Subject: NIS Coverage in Chapters IV, V and VI of Intelligence Requirements Outlined in Special Forces Resistance Potential Factors for Research and Planning.

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2. Mr. Lampshire asked me to return the above mentioned documents and let [redacted] know before 1 June particular comments I might have on them. The 1 June deadline is significant inasmuch as [redacted] is attending a dinner at which Gen. Bullock, Chief, Psychological Warfare, Department of the Army, is to be present and at which Gen. Bullock wishes to sound out [redacted] views relative to these points.

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3. I took this occasion to raise certain questions regarding my concern relative to papers on International Communism and the manner in which the subject is to be integrated into the NIS. Essentially the points I made were the following:

- 1) That a country-type supplement on International Communism appears to be unnecessary and undesirable;
- 2) in lieu thereof much more can be integrated into the organized chapters and sections of the NIS on this subject;
- 3) to keep abreast of the rapid shift of policy lines a current intelligence type of document is needed. Such a document might be similar to the present International Communism periodical report issued by OIR.

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- 4) It is desirable that there be a two-way exchange of information between OIR and DDP if both activities are to be engaged in producing intelligence on this subject of International Communism. As presently stated, Mr. Bissell's Staff Study indicates only the one-way transfer of information from OIR to DDP.

4. Subsequent to this discussion [redacted] called me and gave me some background relative to my concern on the Staff Study. He said that the reference to a supplement type of coverage in the NIS was not significant and that upon approval of the Staff Study the NIS Committee would be free to work out the necessary manner in which the subject of International Communism should be integrated into the NIS format. I agreed to his suggestion of an early meeting at which Messrs. Fisher, Evans, [redacted] and Knowles would get together and discuss various matters connected with the implementation of the Staff Study [redacted]

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